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SUBJECT: ITU/UPU: TAX REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES OF UPU

REF: (A) STATE 293075 (B) GENEVA 12211

FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF FRENCH
LANGUAGE REPLY TO INQUIRY SENT TO UPU AS RESULT OF
INFO REQUEST IN REF A.

QUESTIONS 3 AND 4 REFTEL: SUCH CASE HAS NEVER ARISEN
IN UPU;

QUESTIONS 5, 6 AND 8: WE DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT
DOCUMENTATION TO REPLY TO THESE QUESTIONS;

QUESTION 7: NO

QUESTION 9: NO, BECAUSE THIS QUESTION IS SOLELY IN
THE COMPETENCE OF THE COUNTRY CONCERNED;

QUESTION 10: I WISH TO RECALL THAT THE UPU HAS
ADOPTED A SYSTEM OF NET SALARIES, THAT IS THAT ALL
SALARIES ARE EXPRESSED IN NET FIGURES IN THE UPU STAFF
REGULATIONS AS WELL AS IN ITS BUDGET. THUS, UPU HAS
NEITHER A SYSTEM OF EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS NOR A FUND
DESTINED TO REIMBURSE INCOME TAXES WHICH CERTAIN
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EMPLOYEES MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO PAY TO THEIR COUNTRIES
OF ORIGIN. GIVEN THE LACK OF AN INTERNAL TAXATION
SYSTEM AND THE RESULTING LACK OF NECESSARY FUNDS, THE
UPU HAS REIMBURSED INCOME TAXES OF ONLY ONE SINGLE
EMPLOYEE (MR. HAROLD MC CLURE, RETIRED COUNSELLOR)
ON THE BASIS OF AN AD HOC AGREEMENT CONCLUDED IN 1976
WITH YOUR PERMANENT MISSION. THE CORRESPONDING AMOUNT

WAS PAID BY THE U.S. AS A SUPPLEMENT TO ITS REGULAR BUDGET CONTRIBUTION TO THE UNION. SHOULD ANOTHER CASE OF THIS TYPE RECUR IN THE FUTURE, WE WOULD HANDLE IT IN A SIMILAR WAY TO SIMPLIFY PROCEDURES. I WISH TO ADD FOR YOUR INFORMATION THAT AT THE PRESENT TIME, NO AMERICAN OFFICIAL IS EMPLOYED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU;

QUESTION 11: THE UPU REQUESTS NECESSARY JUSTIFICATION FOR AMOUNTS OF INCOME TAX REIMBURSED WITHOUT, HOWEVER, ASSUMING ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE VERACITY OF THE AMOUNTS. SIGNED P. KLOSSEK, CHIEF OF PERSONNEL.
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